

**REMARKS**

The present application includes claims 1-37. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-37 have been canceled and new claims 38-49 have been added.

The present application is a continuation of Application No. 09/516,105 (“parent application”). The present application was filed on September 15, 2003, and the parent case has not yet issued, so pendency is maintained.

The present claims recite an asymmetric assignment of space-borne communication system resources at a terminal. Specifically, the claims recite a system and method for communication between a terminal and a satellite using an uplink and a downlink, wherein an assigned uplink bandwidth for the uplink differs from an assigned downlink bandwidth for the downlink. Additionally, the present claims recite a communication system including a terminal communicating using an uplink and a downlink, and a controller which assigns an uplink bandwidth to the uplink that differs from a downlink bandwidth assigned to the downlink.

The applicant respectfully requests entry and examination of the above claims.

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**CONCLUSION**

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicant can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the Applicant at the number below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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